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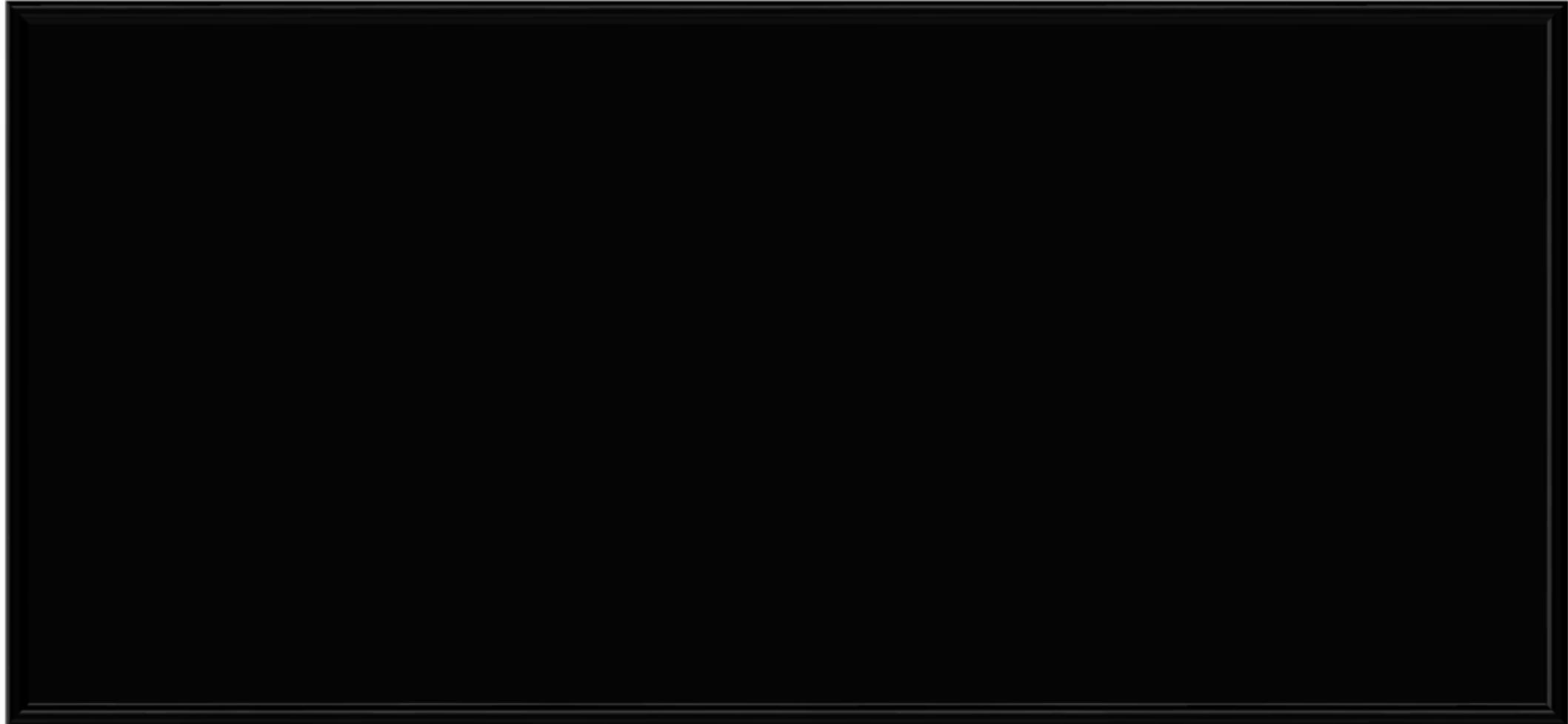
# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Student/Parent Informational Meeting

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# Your Path to a Career in the Health Sciences



# What is HSCA?

- Four-year educational program for incoming 9th graders
- Accelerated High School Curriculum and Full-time Dual Enroll in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades
- Experiential academy in health sciences with hands-on career exploration
- Math and science intensive



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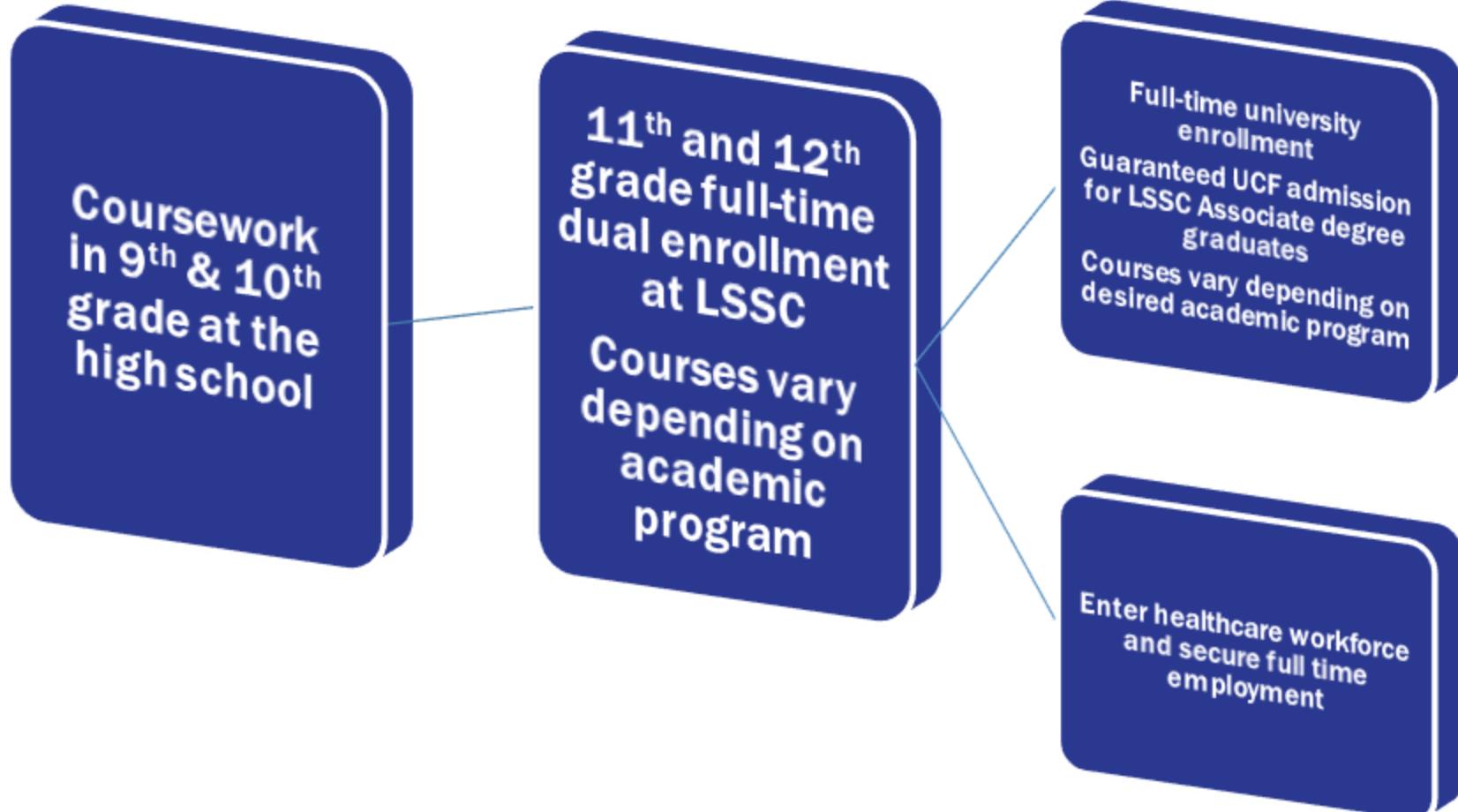
# Why the HSCA?

- Hospital observation and job shadowing opportunities at South Lake Hospital
- Completers are prepared for Florida state colleges and universities
- LSSC graduates are guaranteed admission to UCF
- FREE program—no LSSC tuition or admission application fees



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# HSCA: Four Year Plan



# HSCA vs. Regular Dual Enrollment (DE)

## HSCA

- Tracked curriculum
- Overall 3.0 GPA (B average)
- Math & science courses every semester
- Minimum 12 credits a semester

## Dual Enrollment

- Can choose which courses to take across college offerings
- Overall 2.0 GPA (C average)
- Don't have to take math & science every semester
- Maximum 9 credits a semester



# 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Typical Curriculum

	Phys Ed	Math	ELA	Science	Social Studies	Fine and Performing Arts	Electives	World Language
8th	HOPE	Algebra I						
9th		Geometry	English I Honors	Biology	World History AP	Choice	Executive Intern I	Language I
10th		Algebra II	English II Honors	Chemistry	US History AP		Voluntary Public Service	Language II
							SLS 1401	



# 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> HSCA Electives

9 <sup>th</sup> Grade		10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
Executive Internship I	Executive Internship I	Voluntary Public Service	SLS 1401: Career Planning (Student Life Skills)
<b>Unit 1:</b> Academic Success  <b>Unit 2:</b> Exploring Careers	<b>Unit 3:</b> The Career Search  <b>Unit 4:</b> Leadership and Teams  <b>Unit 5:</b> Current Issues in Health  <b>Unit 6:</b> My Health Career	<b>Unit 1:</b> Understanding Service to Community  <b>Unit 2:</b> Building Capacity for Service Project  <b>Unit 3:</b> Community Health Service Project	<b>Unit 1:</b> Career Theory  <b>Unit 2:</b> Strengths  <b>Unit 3:</b> Career Planning  <b>Unit 4:</b> Academic Planning  <b>Unit 5:</b> Career Search  <b>Unit 6:</b> Global Marketplace



# Spring of 10<sup>th</sup> Grade and 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Sample LSSC Coursework

<i>Spring</i>		<i>Fall</i>		<i>Spring</i>	
<b>Course</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Credits</b>
SLS 1401	3	ENC 1101	3	ENC 1102	3
		MAC 1105	3	MAC 1140	4
		BSC 1010C	4	BSC 1011C	4
		HUM 2020	3	CHM 1025C	4
<i>Total</i>	3	<i>Total</i>	13	<i>Total</i>	15



# 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Eligibility

- Be an 8<sup>th</sup> grader entering high school in south Lake County area and will be enrolled as a 9<sup>th</sup> grader at ERHS, LMHS, SLHS, Montverde, or PCLA
- Earn an unweighted 3.0 average or higher GPA in middle school courses
- Submit an HSCA application by deadline
- Complete an interview with HSCA staff



# 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Eligibility

- Have an average unweighted high school GPA of 3.0
- Be college-ready based on qualifying scores on PERT
- Participate in August HSCA Orientation
- Be in good conduct standing



# Start Thinking About Success

## Students

- Time Management
- Be Proactive
- Study and On-time
- Think about Career/Majors
- B or Better

## Parents

- Set Expectations
- Check In Often
- Talk about Careers/Universities
- Protect Students' Time
- B or Better



# Next Steps

- ***Submit the electronic HSCA Admission Packet by Feb. 12***

**Items submitted electronically:**

- ***Admission Process and Agreement*** – explains the HSCA admission process and gives the HSCA permission to review the student's files. The student and a parent/guardian must sign this form.
- ***Writing Sample*** – the student is to provide a 300 word writing sample about themselves and their goals as a future health sciences professional.
- ***January 2021 Report Card*** – include a copy of the January 2021 report card. This will allow the HSCA to verify academic progress and eligibility for the HSCA.
- ***Honor Code*** – the student and a parent/guardian must read and sign the Honor Code.

**Items submitted on paper:**

- ***Teacher Recommendations*** – please give a recommendation form to two current teachers or counselors at your school to complete on your behalf. The teachers will submit the recommendation to the middle school for submission to the HSCA.

